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SPORTING.

V.R.C. Annual Aquatic Sports.

Mr. Frank Lamert, hon. secretary of the V.R.C., was in receipt of a telegram from Shanghai this morning which reads as follows:—

"Will most probably leave 17th. I write you full particulars. Ten men."
The doubt implied by the words "most probably" refers only to the date. The fact that ten Shanghai men are coming down to compete in our annual aquatic is now settled.

The sports will be held on the 23rd, 24th and 25th instant. The following is the list of events which has been compiled by the members of the Club's Bath-House Sub-Committee:—

- 1.—Half-Mile (Open)
 - 2.—Two Lengths (Army, Navy and Police)
 - 3.—Four Lengths, Handicap. (Members only)
 - 4.—High Dive. (Open)
 - 5.—Two Lengths, Handicap. (Members only, over 20 years of age)
 - 6.—Two Lengths, Handicap. (Members only)
 - 7.—Three Lengths, 100 Yards. (Open)
 - 8.—Team Race. (Members only)
 - 9.—Hurdle Race, Handicap. (Members only)
 - 10.—Six Lengths, 200 yards. (Open)
 - 11.—Boys' Race (under 15 years) Two Lengths, Handicap.
 - 12.—Back Race, 3 Lengths. (Open)
 - 13.—Throwing Polo Ball. (Open)
 - 14.—Twelve Lengths, 400 yards. (Open)
 - 15.—Water Polo. (Members only)
 - 16.—Plunging. (Open)
 - 17.—Duck Hunt. (Open)
 - 18.—Running Hurdle. (Open)
 - 19.—Team Race. (Open)
 - 20.—Consolation Race (Members only)
 - 21.—Water Polo. (Open)
- All events marked "Open" are Inter-club events.

Polo.

In connection with the Hongkong Polo competition the semi final was played on Wednesday evening at Causeway Bay. Many spectators were present, and the teams in the first game were:—

R.A.—Lieut. Thick-esse, Capt. Brierley, Capt. Twiss and Lieut. Moore.

Buff.—Lieut. Potter, Lieut. Crookenden, Lieut. Green and Major Eaton.

Lieut. Green, Lieut. Crookenden and Major Eaton were the scorers for the Buffs and Capt. Twiss for the R.A.'s, the game ending in a win for the Buffs by 3-1.

The second game was between the Civilians and the Hongkong Polo Club. The teams were:—

Civilians.—Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Elwes, Mr. Greville and Mr. Johnson.

Hongkong Polo Club.—Commanders H. Lyon, Lieut. Satterthwaite, Mr. Moxon and Major Wall.

The game ended in a win for the Civilians by three goals to nil, Mr. Dwyer, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Elwes being the scorers.

English Cricket.

Key Champions.

In the matches played on August 23, 27 and 29 days the 27-1 Daily News, the Australians beat Sussex at Brighton by one wicket: Yorkshire defeated Essex at Leyton by 151 runs: Surrey beat Worcester at Worcester by six wickets: Middlesex defeated Gloucestershire at Bristol by an innings and 21 runs: Lancashire beat Somersetshire at Manchester by 63 runs: Nottingham defeated Derbyshire at Nottingham by an innings and 94 runs: Kent beat Leicestershire at Dover by an innings and ten runs: and Hampshire defeated Warwickshire at Bourne-mouth by an innings and 53 runs.

In the matches played on August 29 and 30 and September 1 Kent defeated Hampshire at Bourne-mouth by nine wickets, while Middlesex defeated Somersetshire at Tipton by two wickets.

The matches between the Australians and the M.C.C. at Lords; Surrey and Leicestershire at the Oval; and Sussex and Yorkshire at Brighton were abandoned.

The county cricket championship thus falls to Kent, with Lancashire and Yorkshire in the second and third places, respectively. These three counties' records are as follows:—

County	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
Kent	20	16	2	2
Lancashire	24	14	4	6
Yorkshire	15	15	4	10

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Doubling Castle. His father had intended him for the Church, but he developed intellectual difficulties chiefly due to the hard interpretation of Calvinism which was then in vogue. The elder Blackie seems to have been a man of sense, for he sent his clever son abroad to travel and study, which he accordingly did, acquiring a life-long love of Nature for walks abroad, and gaining, first at Göttingen, and afterwards at Berlin, the mental pabulum of which at the moment he stood most in need. Like most young fellows worth their salt, he was a bit of a hero-worshipper, and the personal influence as well as the lectures of Schleiermacher and Neander—worshipful men as well as open-minded and erudite—helped to clear his thinking. Then he wandered off to Italy—it is a good thing to have a banker for one's father—where he met Baron Bunsen, one of the most brilliant men of his age. To this wise man Blackie made a clean breast of his doubts on the subject of eternal punishment, and was promptly told that the question as to the duration of other people's damnation was not his business.

With a mind for the moment set at rest he turned his face northward again, halting in London for a short while to make the acquaintance of BOURGAIN, of LOCKHART, and COLMAN, and then for a time he turned his attentions to the law, becoming a qualified advocate. But in five years he had had the offer of two briefs and had he not turned his literary gifts to account by writing reviews and essays for *Blackwood's*, and—making a translation of "Faust," those years would have been very barren indeed. It was the translation of "Faust," by the way, which gained him the friendship of CARLYLE. In 1839, at the age of 30, he definitely found his feet, receiving the appointment of Regius Professor of Latin at Marischal College, Aberdeen, a post he held for eleven years. Then followed his election to the Edinburgh Professorship and Blackie's career was secured for life. For many years he held the chair of Greek in the University, retiring in 1894, only to die on the 2nd March in the following year. It has been well said of him in those Edinburgh days that no more picturesque figure had been seen there since CHRISTOPHER NORTH vanished from Prince-street. Everybody knew Professor BLACKIE, and smiled in genial welcome when he came along with his familiar slouch hat and plaid. Mr. REM reminds us that BLACKIE wrote all sorts of books in those strenuous years. Some of them were in verse, but the majority were either direct contributions to scholarship, literary verdicts or counsels of perfection. For the professor, though he never wagged his head in a pulpit, was always a preacher. People swore by him who did not understand a word of Greek. He represented, they thought, the fine flower of native culture, and, as he was a moralist and a poet as well as a philosopher and a scholar, Scotland was proud of him, and not without reason. "After all, the secret of his appeal sprang from the magic of his personality. Not all the Greeks who have ever lived since Plato could intimidate this master of periphrastic speech, who handled classic authors like so many men on a chessboard."

BLACKIE dedicated one of his books to CARLYLE. In it he said:—"You and I have had many stiff battles about not a few things; but in two points I have always felt that we are at one—in a stern love of justice and a hearty detestation of all sickly sentiment." He was a frequent visitor at Cheyne-row, and all the more welcome because he had the courage of his opinions. He refused to be browbeaten in talk by the old suitor of letters. Once he tried to silence his host for a moment in order to give Mrs. CARLYLE, who was eager to join in the conversation, a chance. Here is his own account of what happened:—"I shook him—yes, shook him. His poor wife used to sit there and never speak. I was in his room, and his wife particularly wanted to say something. But there was not the smallest chance. I got up, took hold of him, and, giving him a good shaking, cried, 'Let your

own spirit run riot. But for all that he wouldn't. I thought he also knew, though not so intimately. Blackie thought that he would have been a much happier man if he had some business in the world beside being a poet. As it was, Blackie declared that Professor Blackie had too much on himself, and gave way to "fastidious trifling."

With his students Professor BLACKIE was often, in a rollicking mood. His class-room, writes one of his former scholars, was the most lively place in the University—a place where the unexpected happened. Here is an instance:—"As I was enjoying the sunset on Prince-street yesterday I met a beautiful damsel in an ugly brown dress. She was in Greek Macrae. He would wander off from hours and hours to problems of conduct, and even to the politics of the hour, and then, in a moment, he would be back unravelling some knotty point in philology. Then, the hour up, he would stride down the North Bridge, with his long white locks flying in the breeze, as glad as the most idle lad in his class-room at his recovered freedom. The story is told of him: that one day his quick eye caught a student who had been called upon to translate, holding the book in his left hand. "Hold the book in your right hand," repeated out the professor. The youth looked embarrassed, hesitated, and then went on construing. BLACKIE flashed into wrath, and repeated his request in peremptory tones. A rebellious murmur ran through the class. Presently the lad merely stretched forth his arm. He had no right hand. Instantly Professor BLACKIE ran from his desk, took the poor fellow in his arms, and exclaimed, with deep emotion, "My dear boy! Can you forgive me?" The students cheered. The professor drew himself up. "I am glad," said he, as he took his place again at the desk, "that I teach a class of gentlemen."

Such was the man whom Scotland loved during life and now that he has long joined the quiet company of the silent shades she cherishes his memory all the more fondly. A strenuous fighter all the days of his life, he yet retained the innocent heart of a little child. With all his idiosyncrasies, and they were many, Old Scotia never produced a worthier son.

OUR CHINESE VISITORS

In spite of statements to the contrary Prince Hsiao and Admiral Sah made an official landing at Blake Pier yesterday afternoon, and were received by Capt. P. Mitchell-Taylor (A.D.C. to His Excellency the Governor). A royal guard of honour drawn from the Buffs Regiment was in waiting, and headed by the band, accompanied the distinguished visitors to Government House, where they were cordially received by His Excellency the Governor (Sir F. D. Lugard), who later returned the call at Glenelg Buildings.

The dinner given by the Chinese community at the Ke Shing Theatre was lately attended, and Commander Ching, replying on behalf of the Prince to the address of welcome read by Mr. Lau Chu Pak, asserted that not only must they rise funds and secure docks for their Navy, but they wanted officers and men, and it was to be hoped that there would be co-operation between the Government and the people to achieve the desired result.

Later the Prince and the Admiral left for Canton.

APPEAL TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL

Mr. M. W. Maie, instructed by Mr. P. M. Hodgson moved, before the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, and Mr. Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court, this morning, for leave to appeal to the Privy Council in the case of Chan U's Chiu v. S. J. David and Co., against the judgment of their Lordships delivered in the Court of Appeal.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. Jackson, objected to the stay execution being granted.

Leave to appeal was granted, the usual order being made as to the stay of execution.

The *Kenting Standard* announces the receipt by Indian students in London of pamphlets from Paris, directly inciting them to emulation of Chiang's crime. The pamphlet says: "Even the foolish Indian youth can arm himself with a revolver and our summer at least one link in the chain which fetters his mother."

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NEWS OF THE DAY

Congress in full session at Shanghai.

The Shanghai Review Club's Chinese membership has been won by E. W. MacChesney.

There are to be at least 100 Labour candidates at the next General Election in House.

Many countenances are being addressed to the Government of India against the distribution of Buddha's remains outside India.

The Imperial Government will, says a Shanghai telegram, contribute £250,000 annually towards the maintenance of the Australian fleet.

London's next Lord Mayor will be elected on September 22. The alderman next in rotation for the position is Sir John Knill, Bart., and other aldermen are eligible.

Maurice E. Handman's Merry Little Made Comie Opera Company brought a most successful season to a close last night at the Theatre Royal by a bright and sparkling production of "The Merry Widow."

A life-size wax model of Blériot, the first aeronaut to fly across the channel, has been installed, at Mine. Tussaud's. He is seen wearing a leather coat and a pair of blue overalls, models of those he wore when flying to Dover.

Lady Tree recently named the Lioness, a cub which has been born at the Imperial International Exhibition. Sprinkling the cub with some champagne from a glass, Lady Tree said, "I name you 'Gloria Budgeta,' in memory of this eventful Budget year."

Yet another important new building is being erected in Shanghai. The Standard Oil Company of New York is building a fine new long at the corner of Canton and Szechuan Roads, and judging by the plans, this structure will be a striking addition to Shanghai's architecture.

Owing to the exceptional strength of the tide the steamer Longships broke four hump and two wire hawsers as she lay alongside the old Admiralty wharf at Singapore on August 30, and drifted onto the harbour. She fetched up alongside the German mail steamer Goeben, but fortunately did no damage.

AMOI NOTES.

(From "Our Own Correspondent")

VISIT OF DUTCH WARSHIP.

Amoy, September 7.

A small Dutch Fleet has been visiting our port since Friday, 3rd inst., consisting of the Battleship (Flagship) De Ruyter, 5500 tons, P. H. Edorhuyzen, with Commodore G. F. Tiedeman on board, the Cruiser Koninkin Regentes, 5000 tons, F. Panke; and the Cruiser Tromp, J. W. Termohlen, all from Hongkong. Their cruise is in order to return thanks for all congratulations received from different places on the receipt of the welcome news of the birth of an heir to the throne, none the less hearty because the child is a girl.

Amoy has received its visitors with due hospitality, for in addition to private banquets, &c. the Acting Commissioner, Mr. Jean Macanani invited many friends to meet them at an "At Home" at his house on Monday, 6th, from 5 to 8 p.m. Tennis, croquet, and sea bathing provided an adequate variety of entertainment suited to all tastes.

There are not many people of Dutch nationality in Amoy, but quite a number of the members of the American Reformed Mission here are of Dutch descent, even though they all belong to the United States of America.

SIGHTS OF PROGRESS.

Amoy is keeping pace with the times, and one of our most go-ahead members in the Foreign Community is the head of the Hope Hospital on Kulangsu, Dr. J. A. Oute, of the American Mission. He has a good many modern improvements in his up-to-date Hospital, and has especially installed the electric light in all the wards and rooms, an immense improvement on oil. He has also been engaged during the summer in building and preparing a motor boat, and it was successfully launched on Friday last. It is on the model of an Amoy sampan, and he has fitted into it a 5 horse-power engine, using oil for the motor power. It is proving very useful, and his doubts of success are swept away. As he has Hospital wards on the Amoy side as well as on Kulangsu, which may be reached and improved shortly, and since he is often called out by day and sometimes by night to attend cases in the Amoy city, this motor sampan will prove exceedingly useful and save much time.

OLD SET TYPHOON.

It is still the reign of "King Sol" for blue skies, almost cloudless days, a light moon, and hot sultry weather, still prevail. On Sunday the first typhoon signal for a month was run up the flagstaff, announcing the birth of a typhoon far away East of Luzon. It is too much to hope that it will come near enough to us to bring some clouds, and heavy rain. But per chance it may be followed by others later on, otherwise what are shall do for water it is difficult to tell.

THE DISCOVERY OF THE NORTH POLE.

Immense interest is taken here in the announcement of the discovery of the North Pole by Dr. Cook of the U.S.A., and that as long ago as April 21, 1908. Let us hope it is really true and not a casual report in detail will be looked forward to with deepest interest. It will probably stimulate Lieutenant Shackleton to have another try at the South Pole.

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DR. COOK'S

ACHIEVEMENT

NOT THE "EXACT SPOT"

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

Dr. Cook, the American explorer, secured before the Danish Geographical Society in the presence of the King and Queen of Denmark and other members of the Royal Family.

The Crown Prince presented the explorer with the Society's gold medal.

Dr. Cook said he did not claim to have located the exact spot of the Pole, but his observations showed that he must have been on or around it.

PEARY DISCREDITS COOK'S STORY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

Commander Peary has telegraphed to Reuter that Dr. Cook's story should not be taken too seriously, as two Eskimos accompanying him say that Dr. Cook went scarcely any distance northwards; certainly not out of sight of land.

THE DISSOLUTION.

POSSIBLY IN NOVEMBER.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

There is a strong belief among Unionists in the House of Commons that the General Election will take place in November.

THE ST. LEGER.

A WIN FOR BAYARDO.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

The race for the St. Leger Stakes resulted as follows:—

Bayardo.....2

Valens.....3

Mindor.....3

[Note—Bayardo, the winner, is a bay colt by Bay Ronald out of Gulaca and is owned by Mr. Fairlie. According to a telegram to Indian newspapers on August 20th he was first favourite at 5 to 4 against His Majesty's Minors being put at 3 to 1. Valens, also a bay colt, by Lavene out of Valenza, is owned by Lord Carrmaron, while Mr. W. Astor owns Mindor, a chestnut colt by Marco out of Semitone.]

PORT OF LONDON CHARGES.

NEW SCHEDULE CRITICISED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, September 9.

The schedule of the proposed maximum charges to be enforced by the new Port of London authority are being adversely criticised as calculated to divert trade from London.

The charges, which are subject to ratification by the Board of Trade, apply to all imports, including 3s. 4d. per ton on tea; a shilling on cube sugar; 6d. on sugar of other descriptions; and 6d. on coal.

The charges are estimated to yield a total of £70,000.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consul-General from the Manila Observatory at 12.55 to-day—September 9, at 11.30 a.m. Cyclone or typhoon over North China moving W.E.W.

In consequence of the raising of the typhoon signals the harbour to-day has been totally denuded of junks and sampans, which have all made for the shelter. The work of loading and discharging cargo has therefore been at a standstill.

About 1.15 p.m. on Sept. 2 while the Chinese steamer Hsing Shun was on her way up the Yangtze she collided with H. M. S. Clio, fortunately without serious results to either vessel. When rounding Pootung Point the Hsing Shun had to give way to avoid some cargo boats, and coming over too far, collided with the British ship. The Clio was not damaged, but the Hsing Shun suffered considerable damage to her upper works amidships.

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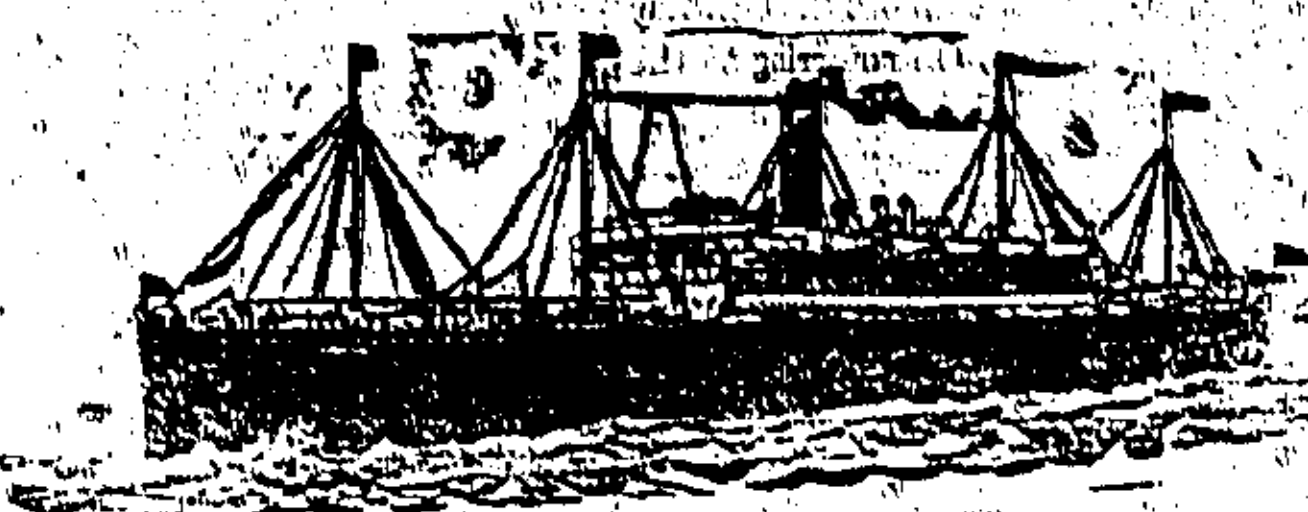
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HONGKONG'S LICENSING AUTHORITY.

Commenting on the suggested transference to the Captain-Superintendent of Police in Hongkong of the whole power of granting liquor licenses, the Standard Press says:—Considerable and justifiable outcry has been raised against this course, mainly on the ground that it is extremely injudicious to place such power in the hands of one man. But beyond that serious objection, is another to our mind, as serious, and that is placing the power in the hands of this particular official. It means in short that the official theoretically prosecuting licensees for faults and misdemeanors, is to be the official judging their fitness to hold licenses. Did we live in Utopian times when every man was infallibly just and impossible of prejudice or likings, such a system might seem admirable as conducing to a full knowledge of the work, but under present circumstances we have no hesitation in saying that it is an entirely vicious system, and nearly as bad as making the chief police official also the Governor of the jail, as has happened in India and possibly in the Straits before now. It is essentially desirable that a person who has to consider all other persons in the light of the law-breaking possibilities of their occupations, should not at the same time be in a position of determining whether or not that occupation should be taken from them. The local system providing for an examining board with the chief police official present to make known any objections he may have, is quite sound, because the police representative in that instance has no direct voice in the decision, but to place the decision at the mercy of one man, and that man the person responsible for taking proceedings against a licensee if necessary, is an extremely undesirable thing.

A decision of far-reaching importance to shipowners who are members of a "conference" and whose vessels trade to and from the United States, has been given in one of the American courts, and if upheld on appeal, as many believe will be the case, it will deal a damaging blow to the formation of "rings" in the shipping trade. The action was brought by a firm of shippers in New York against the South African Conference, to which the Union Castle and other British concerns are parties, the claim being made for a return of rebates. The judge found that the rebate system in its working implies a coercion of shippers who are not entitled to recover the arranged discounts whether they are loyal to the combination or not. This finding specially applies to the South African Conference, but it affects the North Atlantic as well, and much speculation exists as to what the ultimate result will be. The judgment clearly indicates that shipping "rings" stand upon the same basis as other trusts whose operations come under the Sherman Anti-Trust Law.

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